

SECTION M - EVALUATION FACTORS FOR AWARD

M.1 52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

<http://www.arnet.gov/far/>.

I. FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1) PROVISIONS

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M.2 EVALUATION FACTORS FOR AWARD

Award will be made to the responsible offeror(s) whose offer, conforming to this RFP is found to be most advantageous to the Government. The Government reserves the right to make multiple awards under this solicitation. Although price will be evaluated, the Government reserves the right to award contract(s) under this solicitation, to the offer(s) who can accomplish the requirement set forth in the solicitation and represent the best overall value to the Government.

M.3 DECISIONAL RULE CRITERIA

The proposal must clearly demonstrate that, at the time of submission, unless otherwise stated, the offeror meets the following Decisional Rule criteria. Only those proposals which meet the criteria shall be evaluated. An Offeror whose proposal does not meet the Decisional Rule Criteria shall be advised of that determination. The following criteria will be evaluated on a go/no-go basis.

(1) To be considered, the offeror submitting the proposal

must clearly demonstrate at the time of proposal submission it has corporate experience operating secure corrections/detention facilities for a continuous three year period as of the date the RFP was issued.

- (2) The offeror submitting the proposal must have submitted a Phase I Survey, conducted in accordance with the instructions and within the geographic area outlined in the Commerce Business Daily announcement of April 3, 2000. Do not re-submit the survey. The Government will only accept offers for which a Phase I Survey has been submitted.

M.4 OVERALL RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF EVALUATION CRITERIA

The overall relative importance of the evaluation criteria is listed below in descending order:

Past Performance
Technical
Experience & Price (are of equal importance)
Environment

1. PAST PERFORMANCE

Each offeror will be evaluated on its performance under existing and prior contracts for similar services. Performance information will be used in evaluating proposals and for responsibility determinations. The evaluation will focus on information which demonstrates quality of performance relative to the size and complexity of the procurement under consideration. References other than those identified by the offeror may be contacted.

Information utilized may be obtained from the references listed in the proposal, other customers known to the Government or of whom it becomes aware, consumer protection organizations, and any others who may have useful and relevant information. Information may also be considered regarding significant subcontractors, corporate personnel and essential personnel.

Past Performance will be examined to ensure corrective measures have been implemented where problems in performance have occurred.

Prompt corrective action in isolated instances may not outweigh overall negative trends.
Past performance will be evaluated to determine the level of

quality, business relations and customer satisfaction the offeror has delivered during its performance of prior and existing contracts for similar services (e.g. accreditation of operation, quality control of services delivered, responding to and resolving potential problems, etc.).

2. TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

Technical proposals will be evaluated to determine the soundness and anticipated effectiveness of the offeror's approach to performing the tasks identified in Section L of the RFP.

3. EXPERIENCE

Assessment of the offeror's experience will be one means of evaluating the credibility of the offeror's proposal and its relative capability to meet the solicitation's performance requirements.

The offeror's corporate experience in providing secure corrections/detention services will be evaluated. Emphasis will be placed on the relationship of this experience to the requirements identified within the SOW (e.g., facility security level, staff compliment, facility/inmate size, quality control, and programs provided).

4. PRICE

In the evaluation of price, the offeror proposing the lowest price will receive the maximum points available under the Cost to the Government (price) factor. The second lowest offeror's price will be divided into the lowest offeror's price to establish a percentage. The percentage will be multiplied by the maximum available points allotted to the price factor. For evaluation purposes, price is defined as the offeror's proposed price plus the offeror's proposed fixed incremental unit price.

5. EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENT

The Government will independently evaluate and verify the accuracy of the environmental documentation submitted in accordance with Section L.10 and Section J, Attachment # 16. Greater consideration will be given to the offer which represents the "environmentally preferable" alternative.

Environmentally preferable alternative means, the proposal that has a lesser or reduced negative effect on the human environment when compared with competing proposals.

M.5 DISCUSSIONS

Offerors are advised that if the decision is made that award cannot be made on initial proposals, the Government shall conduct discussions. The Contracting Officer will determine the method of discussions, either written or oral. If the Contracting Officer determines oral discussions are preferable they will be conducted at the address below:

Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Prisons
Central Office
Washington, DC 20534